

NEW CASTLE COUNTY Department of Administration

Notice & Invitation to Bid

Cricket Lane Sanitary Sewer Improvements

Sealed bids are invited for the Cricket Lane Sanitary Sewer Improvements including the installation of 175 linear feet of 8" SDR 26 PVC sanitary sewer pipe, three (3) sanitary sewer manholes, post construction CCTV and associated restoration as described in the specifications and on the drawings.

The work is located along Cricket Lane, Hockessin, DE. 19707.

Sealed bids addressed to the New Castle County Purchasing Division will be received by the Purchasing Division, New Castle County Government Center, 87 Reads Way, New Castle, DE, 19720, until **2:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 10, 2023** when they will be opened and read publicly.

Bid envelopes shall carry a clear notation "Cricket Lane Sanitary Sewer Improvements," Contract 2022-12, Bid #23-2302. Plans and specifications may be obtained in the William J. Conner Building, 187-A Old Churchmans Road, New Castle, DE, 19720, on and after November 28, 2022, upon payment of \$25.00 (non-refundable). Please call (302) 395-5749, john.wolos@newcastlede.gov or (302) 395-5751, monnica.newman@newcastlede.gov; in advance to arrange for pick up or mailing.

Bids shall be accompanied by a bidder's bond or certified check in an amount equal to 10% of the bid price, payable to New Castle County and conditioned to be forfeited to said County for failure to enter into a contract, if awarded.

Awards, if any, will be made to the lowest responsible bidder. The County reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids and to waive minor irregularities. Bidders are required to submit all Proposal pages with their bid. The Proposal must be signed and sealed. A bid bond must be included with the Proposal. Any deviation from these instructions may result in the rejection of your bid. The successful Bidder will be required to give bond of a surety company, acceptable to the County, and licensed to do business in the State of Delaware, in the amount of the contract price.

ALCOHOL & DRUG TESTING

New Castle County Code, Section 2.05.305 requires contractors and subcontractors who work pursuant to a Public Works contract to implement a mandatory alcohol & drug testing program for their employees. Included in the specifications for this project is an affidavit for certifying compliance with the Code requirements. This affidavit must be executed and submitted with the bid. Failure to submit the affidavit by that time shall result in the County's inability to consider your bid for award. Forms submitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

PREQUALIFICATION

New Castle County will only accept bids from contractors prequalified with the County in the category E(c), Sanitary Sewers, Collector Sewers. Prequalification forms are available from the Public Works Contracts Officer in the William J. Conner Building, telephone 302-395-5749 or (302) 395-5751. Prequalification applications/updates for this project must be received by the Public Works Chief of Project Management, 187-A Old Churchmans Road, New Castle, DE 19720 by December 06, 2022.

PREBID MEETING

There will be a pre-bid meeting at **1:00 p.m.** on **Thursday, December 01, 2022** in the General Meeting room of the William J. Conner Building, 187-A Old Churchmans Road, New Castle, De 19720. Interested bidders may attend in person or may attend virtually. Bidders will be sent a Teams meeting invitation. Attendance at the meeting is not mandatory.

MBE/WBE PARTICIPATION

Minority and Women Business Enterprises (M/WBE) will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids and will not be subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, or sexual orientation in consideration of this award.

PREVAILING WAGES

The payment of prevailing wages as determined by the State of Delaware Department of Labor to all mechanics and/or laborers working on the project is required. A schedule of the rates for this project is published in the specification.

Michael Hojnicki Chief of Technology and Administrative Services Bid # 23-2302